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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director Virginia Department of Environmental Quality 629 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Authority to Promulgate Final Amendments to the Regulations Pertaining to Biosolids: the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation (9 VAC 25-32-10 et seq.), the Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation (9 VAC 25-31-10 et seq.), and the Fees for Permits and Certificate (Fee) Regulation (9 VAC 25-20-10 et seq.)

Dear Director Paylor:

I have reviewed the amendments to the above-referenced regulations. It is my opinion that the State Water Control Board has authority to promulgate the amendments to the regulations under applicable law including Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia.

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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